



Millennium Challenge Corporation

Reducing Poverty Through Growth

Financial and Private Sector Development, Washington, DC

On January 23, 2004, the United States established the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC), an innovative new foreign assistance program designed to reduce poverty by promoting sustainable economic growth. The Millennium Challenge Corporation, a U.S. government corporation, is based on the principle that aid is most effective when it reinforces good governance, economic freedom, and investments in people that promote economic growth and elimination of extreme poverty.

MCC seeks financial and private sector development professionals with a variety of experiences to be engaged as Personal Service Contractors. Our experience requirements include:

- rural bank training and capacity building
- non-bank financial institutions
- housing finance and mortgage market development
- utilities regulation
- credit bureaus
- property registries
- AML-CTF
- judicial reforms
- SME training and capacity building
- risk capital fund oversight
- private sector development
- investment funds
- civil law systems
- tourism development
- customs law and institutional development
- trade and investment promotion and policy
- tax law and policy
- microfinance institution training and capacity building

Personal Services Contractors (PSC's) will be required to perform the following tasks.

- Assess and, as appropriate, further develop proposed financial and private sector activities until they are adequately detailed and supported;
- Provide advice to mitigate implementation risks that may be posed by new financial or private sector initiatives;
- Investigate the general legal and regulatory environment for the financial and real sector, identify weaknesses and as needed, discuss potential remedies with country counterparts;
- Draft project activity descriptions for inclusion in internal MCC and Compact documents;
- Coordinate with other donors and the IFIs to assure appropriate role assignment and policy and program coordination; and

- Evaluate and document progress of a project and review and approve requests for disbursements of program funds under a Compact.

Prior international experience and foreign language proficiency as well as sound academic qualifications in finance or economics are desired, but the most important qualification is professional experience in the desired proficiency. Candidates must be registered with the Central Contractor Registration at www.ccr.gov prior to the award of a contract. Overseas travel required. **Candidates must be U.S. citizens or U.S. resident aliens.**

Successful candidates may be subject to security investigations. This announcement is open and continuous until January 31, 2006, although selections may be made in advance of that date. Candidates must submit the following package: 1) a resume/capability statement and a brief cover letter addressing the qualifications listed herein, 2) three professional references, and 3) proposed consultancy rates on an hourly basis, to include salary history during the past 3 years. Candidates will be evaluated and selection will be based on technical capability, past performance and proposed rates. Successful candidates will offer the “best value” to the Government based on a tradeoff of price and non-price factors (e.g., technical capability and past performance).

Please submit your response by email to: contractors@mcc.gov. Include “Financial Sector” in the subject line of the email response. To obtain additional details about this opportunity, please go to <http://www.mcc.gov/opportunities/consultants/index.shtml>

No telephone calls please.

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